

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

Applicant:	Kishore Tipirneni	Docket No.:	51491.0117
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 10, 2008, in which this Reply is filed within the one month shortened statutory period for reply, please consider the following Amendments and Remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this document.